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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs on the occasion of her retirement as President of Danville Area Community College; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Jacobs became the sixth President and only the second female leader of Danville Area Community College in September of 1999; and

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WHEREAS, Under the leadership of Dr. Alice Jacobs, Danville Area Community College has been a leader in workforce development, reallocating resources to add new locally in-demand programs in Health Professions and Manufacturing; as a result of good stewardship and program growth, Dr. Jacobs has expanded and renovated campus facilities and established the Higher Learning Center in Hoopeston to better meet the needs of residents in the northern part of the college district; local partnerships have been strengthened, particularly those with area K-12 districts and the Regional Superintendent's office; the college was also named a Leader College in Achieving the Dream and has undergone two successful major gift campaigns for support of DACC students and programs; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Jacobs has served on the American

1 Association of Community Colleges Board and its Executive
2 Committee; she was co-chair of Governor Bruce Rauner's
3 Education Policy Transition Committee; she is a member of the
4 Illinois Board of Higher Education and Chair of the Illinois
5 Community College Presidents Council; she served as President
6 of the North Central Association of Two-Year Colleges and the
7 Danville Noon Rotary; she served as Chair of the Danville
8 United Way Campaign and first Chair of the Vermilion Advantage
9 Board; she also served as President of the Danville Symphony
10 Board; and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Alice Jacobs has received numerous awards and
12 recognitions, including the 2002 Rotary Vocational Service
13 Award, the 2003 Green Meadow Girl Scouts Council Woman of
14 Distinction Award, the 2007 Woman of Achievement Award from the
15 American Association of University Women, the 2008 Elks
16 Distinguished Citizenship Award, the 2009 Outstanding Service
17 Award from the Illinois Association of Regional
18 Superintendents of Schools, the 2010 Golden Ruler Award from
19 the Regional Office of Education, and the 2015 Visionary Award
20 from the Eastern Illinois Community Action Agency; her
21 leadership skills were also recognized by the Association of
22 Community College Trustees in 2007 with the Central Region's
23 Outstanding CEO Award; and

24 WHEREAS, Following her retirement, Dr. Alice Jacobs plans

1 to continue her service to community colleges on the State and
2 national levels through her involvement with the Illinois Board
3 of Higher Education and as a Peer Reviewer through the Higher
4 Learning Commission; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
6 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
7 congratulate Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs on the occasion of her
8 retirement and wish her continued success and happiness in the
9 future; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to Dr. Alice Jacobs as a symbol of our esteem and
12 respect.